



## **Environmental Technical Assistance Opportunity**

Three Maryland food processing facilities to receive free assistance

The Maryland Department of the Environment has contracted with EEC Environmental to provide environmental opportunity assessments and technical assistance to three food or beverage manufacturing/processing facilities in Maryland. EEC Environmental, a nationally recognized environmental consulting firm, will work directly with three selected facilities to identify opportunities and solutions for improving energy and water use efficiency, reducing chemical usage, hazardous and non-hazardous waste reduction, wastewater reduction and process optimization. The purpose of these visits is not to advise on environmental compliance issues, but rather to identify voluntary actions that will reduce environmental impacts and reduce costs for the facility.

The participating organizations will be asked to provide facility access and information to the EEC Environmental consultants and in exchange will receive the following services free of charge:

- A facility-wide audit to identify opportunities that increase the efficiency of resource use, reduce waste and related environmental impacts and save money.
- A written report identifying opportunities related to energy efficiency, water conservation, waste reduction, recycling, composting, procurement, transportation, and cleaning.
- Assistance in prioritizing these opportunities based on return-on-investment, payback period, environmental impact, feasibility, and owner/management priorities, and an outline of next steps for implementation.

Interested companies should contact the following individuals as soon as possible, but no later than June 1, 2020 in order to take advantage of this valuable program.

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